

8. (1.) The Minister shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the opening of each session, lay before Parliament a full report of the works carried out by the Government under the authority of this Act during the preceding financial year; also a full and correct statement of the expenditure during such year on all the works and services chargeable to the Public Works Fund.

Annual accounts and expenditure to be certified by Auditor-General. 1894, No. 42, sec. 8

(2.) A copy of such statement of accounts shall be sent to the Controller and Auditor-General, who shall certify to the correctness of the same; and his certificate, together with any remarks by him appended thereto, shall be laid before Parliament by the Minister.

9. (1.) Every contract for the execution of Government works shall be entered into in the name of His Majesty, and may be executed by the Governor on his behalf.

Contracts for Government works to be in the name of His Majesty.

(2.) Every contract for the execution of local works shall be made in such manner as the local authority making the same is authorised by law to make and execute its contracts.

Ibid, sec. 9  
Of contracts for local works.

(3.) All such contracts may be varied and discharged in the same manner respectively.

## PART II.

### TAKING LANDS FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

10. (1.) The provisions of sections *eighteen* and *nineteen* hereof do not, except as hereinafter specially provided, apply to the taking of lands for railway or defence purposes, or for roads in connection with such purposes, or to the taking of Native land for any public work.

Application of Part II. Ibid, sec. 10 1900, No. 47, sec. 3

(2.) All the other provisions of this Part of this Act apply to the taking of any lands and to all lands taken for any public work whatever, except as hereinafter specially provided.

#### *Power to take.*

11. Land required for any public work may be taken under the provisions of this Act—

Empowering the taking of land. 1903, No. 93, sec. 13

- (a.) If for a Government work, by the Minister; or  
(b.) If for a local work, by the local authority.

#### *What may and what may not be taken.*

12. Whenever power is given to take land for any public work under the provisions of this Act, such power, except where otherwise specially provided,—

Crown lands, public reserves, &c., roads and streets. 1894, No. 42, sec. 12

- (a.) Includes the power to set apart or procure the setting-apart of Crown land for such purpose, and also the power to take or set apart any part of any public reserve or public domain, or of any land vested in any local authority for any purpose whatsoever, or of any land vested in trustees for any public purpose whatever, whether local or general; but

- (b.) Does not include the power to take any part of any road or street.

13. (1.) The Minister may from time to time impound, divert, and take away any water from any stream or running water, or may purchase or acquire any right or interest therein, for the purpose of

Water or land for supply of water to public work. Ibid, sec. 13